

STOKE FLEMING PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES

**A meeting of the Parish Council was held on Wednesday 1st September 2021,
Stoke Fleming Village Hall, at 7.00pm**

Present: Councillors Struan Coupar (Chair) Marion Holmes (Vice Chair) Phil Elliott
 Jack Handley David Harris Tim Moseley

District Councillor Helen Reeve
Parish Clerk
Mrs Ruth Adams.

250. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE Cllr. Belli, Cllr. Floyd and County Cllr. Brazil.

251. MINUTES

Both the minutes of the previous meeting of the Parish Council and the planning site meeting notes were approved by the Council and signed by the Chair as a true record.

252. MATTERS ARISING

There were no additional matters raised.

253. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllrs. were reminded that any change to their register of interests must be reported to the District Council.

254. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

There were no questions.

255. COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Cllr. Brazil was unable to attend the meeting but a copy of his report had been distributed to all Councillors and would be available to read on the Parish Council website.

256. DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Cllr. Reeve raised the ongoing issue of waste collection, explaining that, due to a shortage of drivers, waste collections were still being affected. She did note that this was problematic and informed the Council that there would be a review and a full meeting about this in the third week of September. Garden waste would be collected once a month. She also reported that a few enforcement cases had been closed this week and asked all Councillors to report anything that they came across as their local knowledge was invaluable. Cllr. Elliott asked Cllr. Reeve to follow up on harassment and anti-social behaviour, which she agreed to do. Cllr. Coupar requested an enforcement list as the last one received had been in May. Finally, Cllr. Reeve reported that phase two of Little Cotton had been submitted and that Baker Estates felt that it had taken on board all feedback from residents.

257. PARISH COUNCIL VACANCIES

It was agreed by all that Ruth Adams be co-opted onto the Council.

258. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

a.) Cllr. Coupar reported that he was still waiting for a response from the landowner to his emails about the proposed new car park at Mill Lane. He had suggested that a meeting in the near future

would be useful as there was S106 funding and other funds pledged by the developer that could be accessed.

b.) The signs for Bird Walk had been located but not yet collected. The Council noted that it had received numerous comments in praise of the improvements to the Bird Walk and how good it was looking.

259. COMMUNITY

In the absence of Cllr. Belli, comments from the rest of the Council were requested. Cllr. Reeve noted that there were two abandoned cars but these had been reported. The issue of the stream that runs through the grounds of Stoke Lodge Hotel and under the A379 was raised as the flow of water at the lower end was considerably less than above the main road. It was agreed that a meeting should be arranged with the relevant homeowners as it was suspected that there was a blockage under the highway by Bay House.

260. ROADS AND TRANSPORT

a.) Cllr. Handley reported that the new speed sign was being ordered and was being delivered but a site for it would be needed and there were a few risk assessments to go through. He noted that the jubilee clips would also need to be ordered and charging points would need to be found. A solar charger was suggested but Cllr. Handley explained that this would not be feasible.

b.) Cllr. Moseley reported that he had spoken with the lengthsman for neighbouring parishes and proposed that the Council did not adopt a snow or road warden. He and Cllr. Handley would discuss the lengthsman scheme in due course.

c.) Cllr. Handley reported that he was still waiting for a response to his emails about Swannaton footpath. He informed the council that the sign was suitable and fitting it would not be a problem but would be at the Council's expense. The Council agreed that the best location for the sign was opposite the entrance to Deer Park.

261. MAINTENANCE

a.) It was reported that the gate on the path at Ryland Copse had fallen off.

b.) Cllr. Harris agreed that he would review the condition of the village assets, although he did note that most were in a good condition.

c.) Cllr. Holmes reported that the Pavilion was in a terrible condition and needed a deep clean. A solution for the Pavilion and its potential use was discussed and different ideas suggested, although the council unanimously agreed that it needed to be made habitable as it was an excellent village asset. It was agreed to obtain a quote to have the Pavilion cleaned.

d.) Cllr. Harris reported that the dog bins had been relocated but the dual purpose one that was earmarked for the Village Hall had been put along Venn Lane. The Council agreed that it would request one bin for dog waste and two multi-use bins (one to replace the broken bin by the village hall) and Cllr. Reeve noted this. The Clerk was asked to check Cllr. Harris' maintenance contract as it was up for renewal. Cllr. Harris reported that he had requested that the footpath by the bus shelter be trimmed as the pavement was already extremely narrow. It was agreed that the Council would look into the Community Ownership Fund, as Cllr. Brazil had previously mentioned that some money may be available for projects to create community assets.

262. CLIMATE CHANGE

Nothing to report.

263. ACTIONS REGISTER

Cllr. Coupar went through the latest actions register and said he would check if CCTV quotes were needed to be looked at or if the Village Hall committee was dealing with this.

264. PLANNING

Cllr. Holmes reported that she had received questions from Cllrs. Moseley and Floyd over the proposed care home (Minton Homes, included in the Little Cotton development). She had not been sent any of the Stancombe Wood applications as the site had been incorrectly referred to as being in

Blackawton. With regards to the plan submitted for Thalassa Bay, Cllr. Holmes said that she would arrange a site visit prior to September 9th, but the Clerk was asked to formally minute that the Council had no objection to the owner changing the name of the house.

265. FINANCE

a.) BANK BALANCE

Lloyds account £14,618. 45 (25th August 2021)
Savings account £12,376.59(25th August 2021)

b.) There were no receipts

c.) It was resolved to agree the following payments:

Tomlinson Computer Support Ltd.	£7.60.	MS Office licence fee
Keith Ellis	£489.00.	Repair of seats, benches, boards and gates
Lauren Jade Ahearn	£50.00.	August bus shelters
Barry Morris	£50.00.	Web services August

266. FURTHER BUSINESS

Nothing to report.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.10pm.

The date of the next meeting is **Wednesday 6th October at 7.00pm.**